HUDCO guidelines and fulfilment of category-wise resource allocation laid down by the Government, etc.

Workshop on drug abuse control

734. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a workshop had recently been organised by the Indian Council of Education on Drug Abuse Control;

(b) if so, the steps being taken to control the increasing use of dreaded drugs in various countries in the world; and

(c) the outline of the schemes initiated in the workshop to rehabilitate the drug addicts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (DR. RAJENDRA KUMARI BAJPAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The steps being taken to control the increasing use of dreaded drugs in various countries in the world include efforts to control the production movement and availability of drugs. Apart from measures which aim at reduction of supply, the efforts are also made to reduce demand for drugs by increasing public awareness about this menace. Drug dependent persons are subjected to counselling and efforts are made for their de-addition and rehabilitation in society.

(c) The workshop provided a forum for exchange of views and discussion on various aspects of drug abuse control and prevention programmes. No schemes were initiated.

Families benefited under IRDP in Orissa

735. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of families benefited under the Integrated Rural Development Programme in Orissa during 1985-86 and 1986-87;

(b) the number of families out of these beneficiaries who have been able to cross the poverty line during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) Under IRDP 1.734 lakhs and 2 078 lakh families had been assisted in Orissa during 1985-86 and 1986-87 respectively.

(b) Crossing the poverty line is a continuous and gradual process and it takes some time before the impact of the programme is felt. From October, 1985 onwards, a monthly concurrent evaluation of the programme has been taken up 36 districts and 72 blocks are covered each month. 10 new beneficiaries and 10 old beneficiaries (those who have been given assistance two years earlier) are selected in each block on random sampling basis for survey According to Concurrent Evaluation of IRDP for January—March, 1987 Report, 41.38 per cent of the sample of old beneficiaries in Orissa had crossed the old poverty line of Rs. 3,500.

Special assistance for drinking water to Orissa

736. SHRI BASUDEB MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what special assistance has been given to Orissa so far for providing drinking water to the village severely affected by water scarcity;

(b) whether Government propose to pay special attention to hilly tribal villages where water scarcity is most acute; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI RAMANAND YADAV): (a) The Central Government had released an *ad hoc* assistance of Rs 1.4 crore as ways and means advance for rural areas of